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MOBILE ICBM ACTIVITY
PLESETSK ICBM LAUNCH TEST SITE 5, USSR

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1. (TSR) SIGNIFICANCE: CIRCULAR MARKINGS BEING INSTALLED AT TWO LAUNCH REFERENCE POSITIONS (LRP) MAY SERVE AN ALIGNMENT FUNCTION FOR A TRANSPORTER-ERECTOR-LAUNCHER (TEL) ASSOCIATED WITH AN UNIDENTIFIED MOBILE MISSILE SYSTEM.
2. (TSR) REMARKS: TWO WHITE CIRCULAR MARKINGS, POSSIBLY SERVING AN ALIGNMENT FUNCTION, HAVE BEEN INSTALLED/APPLIED ON THE PAVED ROADWAY APPROXIMATELY [] IN FRONT OF TWO OF THE 12 LRP'S. EACH CIRCULAR MARKING HAS A DIAGONAL LINE ACROSS THE CENTER AND APPEARS TO BE FLUSH WITH THE PAVEMENT. THE MARKINGS MAY BE ASSOCIATED WITH THE ALIGNMENT OF THE TEL TO THE LRP AND MAY BE THE ACTUAL ERECTING POSITION OF THE MISSILE CANISTER. THE MARKINGS WERE INSTALLED/APPLIED BETWEEN [] AND [] IN ADDITION, THE SIDES OF THE 2-METER SQUARE LRP BOXES ALSO APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN SLIGHTLY ALTERED. EACH LRP APPEARS TO HAVE A WHITE TRIM, AND ONE LRP HAS A VERTICAL OBJECT PROTRUDING FROM THE TOP OF THE BOX.

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(TSR) THE 12 LRP AT PLESETSK LAUNCH TEST SITE 5 WERE CONSTRUCTED BETWEEN JULY 1976 AND JANUARY 1978. NO MARKINGS HAVE PREVIOUSLY BEEN OBSERVED AT THESE LRP OR ANY OF THE REMAINING 30 LRP AT THREE OTHER MOBILE MISSILE FACILITIES AT PLESETSK.

3. [] COORDINATES 63-03-20N 040-57-19E

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